with the transport situation and I have indicated the general policy of the Government with regard to the transport system. These rules will have to exist for some considerable time to come, because very soon it will become impossible for any private bus owner to run his bus on the road. He will not get tyre, he will not get petrol and he will not get spare parts. Government may succeed for some time more. As a matter of fact I have great doubt about the next five years. Every government in India will have to own its State Transport and I think they will follow the example of Travancore. It must be borne in mind that the number of vehicles available will be fewer and the pace will be slower and there would be certain restrictions as to the number of people who may go from place to place. Of course a lawyer who wants to appear in a Court situated at a distant place may have to get into the bus. Sometimes it may not be possible and he will have to lose the fee. I am afraid those are sacrifices which are essential and they cannot be dispensed with.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Paddy lands.

111. *MR. M. R. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Tiruvalla*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the acreage of paddy lands converted for sugarcane cultivation since 1112 ;

(*b*) the acreage of paddy lands on which tapioca is actually cultivated ;

(*c*) the acreage of paddy lands converted as garden lands and cocoanut plantations since 1112 ; and

(*d*) the total area of paddy lands under cultivation in Travancore in 1108 and on 1-1-1118 M. E. respectively ?

MR. G. NARAYANAN TAMPI (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) 3,685·77 acres.

(*b*) 7,332·02 acres.

(*c*) 5,189·17 acres.

(*d*) 6,16,742·10 acres in 1108 M. E.
6,22,072·50 acres on 1-1-1118 M. E.

Lands for paddy and tapioca cultivation.

112. *MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN (*Chirayinkil* cum *Nedumangad*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether Government lands are available in Nedumangad and Chirayinkil taluks for—

(i) paddy cultivation, and

(ii) tapioca cultivation ; and

(*b*) if the answer to the above is in the affirmative, the action they have taken to bring under cultivation all lands available ?

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